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1) BERIA PURGE AND SOVIET POLICY

Beria purge anti-dated Berlin riots and "soft" policy.

Probably preceded postponement Georgian Party Congress

-- 25 May.

Berlin riots may have given excuse for action but not its cause.

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2)

General conclusion Beria purge part of interior power struggle.

Beria probably became over-ambitious. Party and Army

liquidated him.

More likely antagonist than proponent of soft tactics.

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3) "NEW" INTERNAL SOVIET POLICY HAS THREE ELEMENTS:

- a) New emphasis on increasing consumers goods.
- b) De-emphasis of dependence on police repressive system.
- c) Emphasis on great Russia as contrasted with minority races.

4) IN EXTERNAL FIELD MODERATION CONTINUES

Examples:

- a) Resumption diplomatic relations Israel.
- b) Restoration normal diplomatic relations Greece.
- c) Settlement with Iran.
- d) Donating million to UN Technical Assistance Program.
- e) Liberalizing exit visas.
- f) New foreign trade agreements. France - 34 million annually.

Denmark - 40 million. Iran, Argentina, etc.

5) CONTINUING CONCILIATORY POLICY IN SATELLITES

INCLUDING EAST GERMANY.

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